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### St. Francisco De Campeche

**Stock#:** 5194  
**Map Maker:** Ogilby  
**Date:** 1671  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 14 x 11 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

This is a grand view of the town of San Francisco de Campeche on the Yucatan Peninsula. The city of Campeche was the first Spanish settlement on the Yucatan Peninsula. Founded on October 4 1540, the town was originally called San Lázaro, but was later renamed Villa de San Francisco de Campeche. The city became one of the most important shipping ports in America, and was an important destination for Merchant vessels traveling back to Europe. The riches amassed by the Spanish Crown in Campeche were a constant enticement to privateers and pirates who continually besieged and plundered the city. Ogilby's view depicts a well-fortified town and a thriving port. Perhaps in reference to the pirate skirmishes, which plagued the town, Ogilby has chosen to depict a warship firing a salute in the foreground of the image. This view appeared in John Ogilby's seminal atlas *America: Being the Latest, and Most Accurate Description of the New World*, published in London in 1671. Ogilby's work is an English translation of Arnoldus Montanus' *Die Nieuwe en onbekende Weereld...*, published in Amsterdam, although greatly expanded in some instances and with new maps and views. A nice dark impression.

#### Detailed Condition: